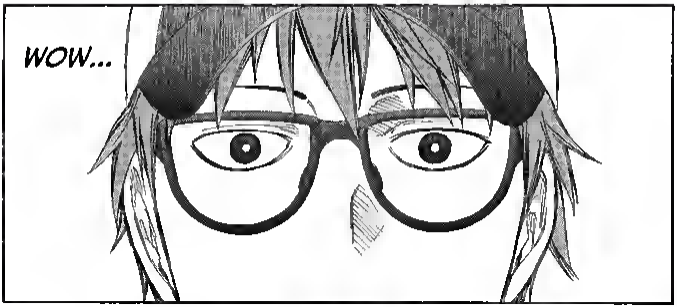
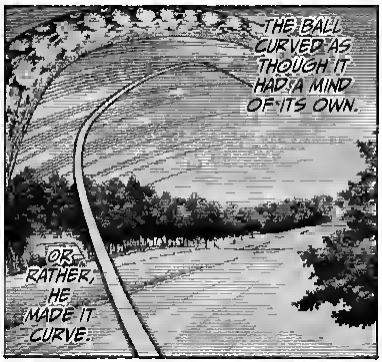
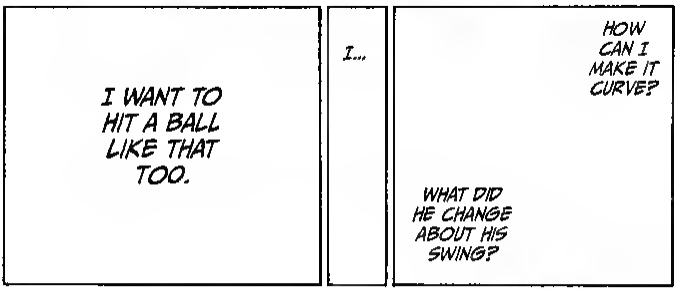

WOW...

ALL THIS TIME, I THOUGHT GOLF ONLY CONSISTED OF HITTING THE BALL IN A STRAIGHT LINE TO A TARGET.
SO THERE'S ANOTHER WAY OF HITTING THE BALL IN GOLF TOO.


THE BALL CURVED AS THOUGH IT HAD A MIND OF ITS OWN.
OR- RATHER, HE MADE IT CURVE.


I WANT TO HIT A BALL LIKE THAT TOO.
I...
HOW CAN I MAKE IT CURVE?
WHAT DID HE CHANGE ABOUT HIS SWING?

*A fade is a shot that purposely curves to the right

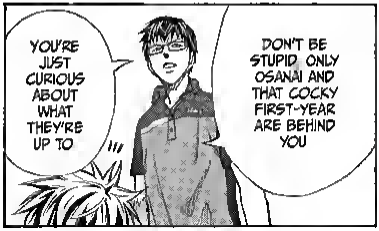
MUR 7"
MUR 7"
MUR 7"
...SAW... MY SHOT.
WHAT THE...?! THIS GUY...
...AND IS... ANALYZING IT?!
MUR 7"
MUR 7"
I was the position of his shoulders that was different.
And his club face.
As for the position of the ball.
NO.
OR MAYBE IT'S...

DON'T LAUGH IT OFF AND SIP HOT COCOA AFTER GETTIN' A DOUBLE BOGEY.
WHAT ARE YOU? A CAPY-BARA?
HM?
YEP
I MEAN, BUMMER, BUT YEAH.
GLUB GLUB
コポポ...
KARASUMA-SAN, WAS THAT A DOUBLE BOGEY?

IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOUR NONCHALANT ATTITUDE, I'D FEEL A LOT BETTER ABOUT MAKING YOU OUR ACE.

WE FIGURED WE'D CHECK ON HOW EVERYONE'S DOING.
THAT'S MORE OUR FOCUS THAN OUR SCORE.
I THOUGHT YOUR TEAM WAS OUT IN FRONT.
HIIRAGI-SAN. KURODA-SAN.
WHAT'S UP?

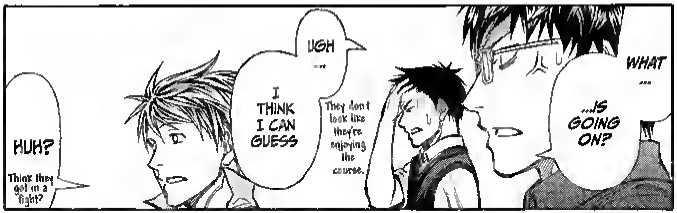
COME ON. IT'S NO BIG DEAL.
HEY!
COOL. SOUNDS FUN
THEN LET ME JOIN YOU TOO.
You go on ahead. I'll catch up with you later.


YOU'RE JUST CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT THEY'RE UP TO
DON'T BE STUPID. ONLY OSANAI AND THAT COCKY FIRST-YEAR ARE BEHIND YOU

I'M CURIOUS TO SEE HOW EVERYONE'S DOING TOO.
HOPE-LESS

OH...

HA HA HA... YOU GOT ME
IT'S JUST THAT EVEN THOUGH IT'S ONLY THE TWO OF THEM, THEY'RE STILL LAGGING WAY BEHIND
!
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, THEY'RE PRETTY BEHIND SCHEDULE.

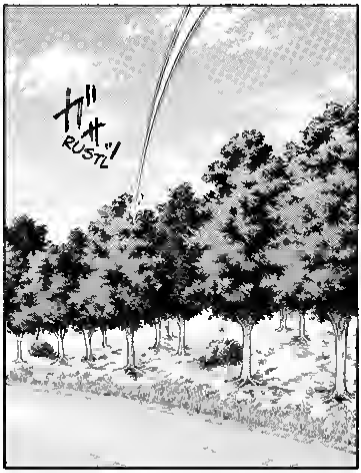


| HOLE | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PAR | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | |
| Team Rebo-Rim | ③ | 3 | 5 | 5 | ③ | -1 |
| Team Tanima Sak-n | 4 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 4 | +1 |

6th Hole Par 4 410 yards
ALL RIGHT.
ROBO'S A LITTLE HIT-OR-MISS, BUT WE'VE STARTED TO WORK THIS OUT.
IF I CAN GET A GOOD START ON THIS HOLE, HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GO WITH THE FLOW.
WHOOSH!
WE'LL DECIDE THE MATCH HERE AND NOW!
Not on my watch ...!

THUNK
GAH ...
KLUNK
DAMMIT!
I LOCKED MY LEFT KNEE!
...!
WHOOSH
"I" WURL

...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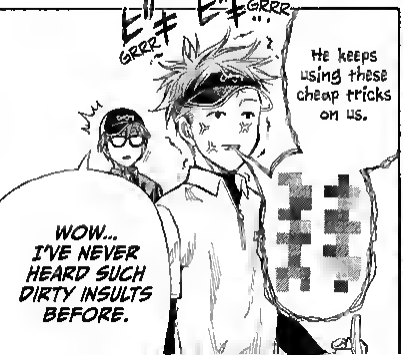
YOU BASTARD! WHAT DID YOU–
OOOH, SORRY. MY BAD

OR DO YOU HAVE SOME PROOF I DID THAT ON PURPOSE?
IT WAS AN ACCIDENT, AND I SAID I'M SORRY.

I WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION AND DROVE THE CART RIGHT INTO IT.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GRRR...
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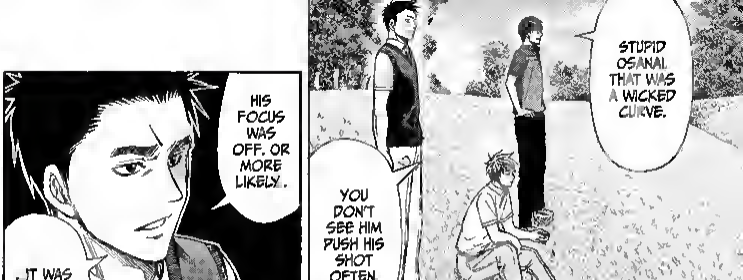
GRRR...
He keeps using these cheap tricks on us.
WOW... I'VE NEVER HEARD SUCH DIRTY INSULTS BEFORE.

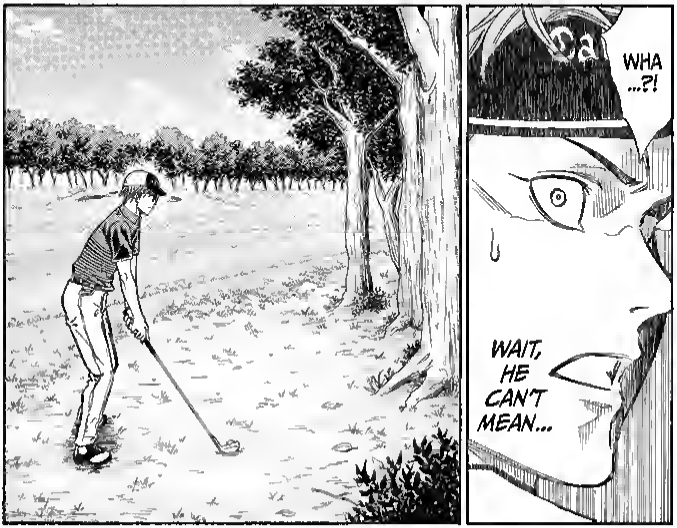

STUPID OSANAI THAT WAS A WICKED CURVE.
YOU DON'T SEE HIM PUSH HIS SHOT OFTEN.
HIS FOCUS WAS OFF. OR MORE LIKELY.
..IT WAS THROWN OFF.

THEN THAT'S BAD NEWS FOR THEM.
RION HAS A SHORT TEMPER AS IT IS.
SIGH
IF THEY HIT A BOGEY ON THIS HOLE, IT MAY BE ENOUGH TO DRAG THEM DOWN AND RUIN THEIR SCORE

THEY'RE IN A BIT OF A TIGHT SPOT.

UH-OOOOH. LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE IN TROUBLE AGAIN.
JUST HIT IT OUT TO THE SIDE A LITTLE. OOH'T OVEROO IT, YOU HEAR?!
This jerk...
HMM. I WANNA KILL HIM.
BUT HE'S RIGHT.
YOU CAN'T AIM DIRECTLY FOR THE GREEN FROM HERE.
JUST HIT IT OUT TO THE SIDE.
WE'LL STILL HAVE SOME DISTANCE TO GO, BUT I'M SURE I'LL GET IT ON THE GREEN IN MY NEXT SHOT.
...
HOW MANY YARDS IS IT TO THE GREEN FROM HERE?
HUH?
ABOUT 150, GIVE OR TAKE.
WAIT, WHY?! DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE PLANNING ON AIMING IT THERE?
DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT. THERE'S NO SPACE FOR A STRAIGHT SHOT OUT OF HERE.

I JUST WATCHED HOW YOU HIT IT EARLIER.
IT'S FINE.


WHA ...?!
WAIT, HE CAN'T MEAN...

THAT'S...!
THERE HE GOES. HE'S JUST GOING TO HIT IT TO THE SIDE
HEY
ISN'T HIS STANCE A LITTLE WIDE FOR THAT THOUGH?
KLAK
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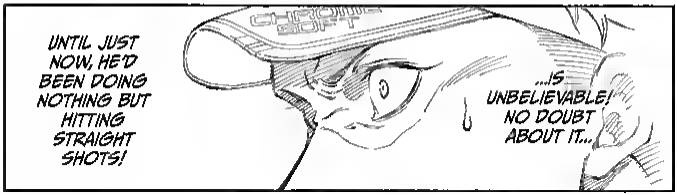
WHAT ?!
Him too?!
HE JUST COPIED MY MOVE...!
THE SERPENT BITE?!

HUH ...?

THUMP

THIS GUY...
IT CURVED, BUT... I GUESS I SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IT DIDN'T GO WHERE I WAS AIMING ON MY FIRST TRY.


UNTIL JUST NOW, HE'D BEEN DOING NOTHING BUT HITTING STRAIGHT SHOTS!
...IS UNBELIEVABLE! NO DOUBT ABOUT IT...

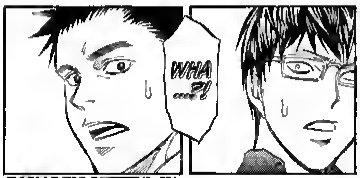
ASSUMING THAT WASN'T JUST A FLUKE...
BUT HE DID THAT AFTER SEEING IT ONLY ONCE?!
USUALLY, THAT'S A TECHNIQUE YOU CAN ONLY MASTER AFTER REPEATED PRACTICE.
BUT EVEN SO, THAT WAS WAY TOO FAST!
HE WAS... LEARNING IT?!
... WASN'T HIM ANALYZING THE SWING
THEN THAT MEANS THAT THING HE WAS DOING BEFORE ..

...ROBO'S SPEED OF LEARNING IS...
It curved just about as I'd imagined it would.
As for the distance
MUR 7"
MUR 7"
MUR 7"
I see...
The more open the clubface, the less it'll fly
...UN-BELIEV-ABLE
WITH MORE EXPERIENCE...
...JUST HOW FAR COULD THIS GUY GO?!
HA...!
TRMBL 7"

...HE CAN HIT SHOTS LIKE THAT TOO?!
HE NEVER STRUCK ME AS THE TYPE TO HIT DIFFERENTLY TO AFFECT THE COURSE OF THE BALL, BUT..

THAT FIRST-YEAR... CAN'T POSSIBLY BE AN AMATEUR!
IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S NOT HIS THING, BUT...
...THAT SHOT JUST NOW WAS THE REAL DEAL!

THIS IS JUST A HUNCH, BUT..
HMM...


WHA...?!

I THINK I'M GOING TO HEAD OUT SOON.
THAT WAS QUITE A SPECTACLE.

...THAT SHOT HE MADE JUST NOW...
...WAS PROBABLY HIS FIRST STAB AT IT.

HE CERTAINLY PICKED UP THE SLACK.
AND THAT SHOT TRIGGERED RION TO REALLY UP HIS GAME.
HIS OPPONENTS WILL PROBABLY TRY SOME MORE STUNTS, BUT HE STILL WON'T LOSE.
I DON'T KNOW THE DETAILS, BUT...
...DON'T GIVE THEM TOO HARSH A PENALTY, KURODA-SAN.
AND THIS IS JUST ANOTHER HUNCH, BUT...
...HE'LL BE COMING
...TO SNATCH A REGULAR SPOT FROM ONE OF US...
TO BE CONTINUED...